

DECLARATION/POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence/post office address, and citizenship, are as stated b low.

I believe I the original, first, and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **Determination of Nuclease Activity**, the specification of which was filed on **16 August 2001** and accorded serial number **09/913,707**.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby claim priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119/120/121/365 as applicable to: British Application No. 9903851, filed 20 Feb. 1999; PCT Application No. GB00/00606, filed 21 Feb. 2000.

POWER OF ATTORNEY: As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorneys to prosecute this application and transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, Hopgood, Calimafde, Judlowe & Mondolino, LLP, a firm comprising Roy C. Hopgood, Reg. No. 15,245; John M. Calimafde, Reg. No. 16,895; Stephen B. Judlowe, Reg. No. 21,049; Dennis J. Mondolino, Reg. No. 27,148; James M. Bollinger, Reg. No. 32,555; Brian P. Murphy, Reg. No. 34,986; and Bradley N. Ruben, Reg. No. 32,058.

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